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SUBJ: HUMAN RIGHTS: JUAN MANUEL RODRIGUEZ

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1. PURSUANT TO REFTEL INQUIRY, EMBASSY RAISED THE CASE OF JUAN MANUEL RODRIGUEZ WITH OCIP'S COL. MAYNARD IN MID-FEBRUARY AND REITERATED OUR QUERY ON MARCH 5. THUS FAR, WE HAVE RECEIVED NO REPLY. ON MARCH 9, WE RAISED THE CASE WITH COL. SOLVA LEDESMA, PRESIDENT OF THE SUPREME MILITARY TRIBUNAL AND CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR OF THE MILITARY JUSTICE SYSTEM, WHO INFORMED US THAT RODRIGUEZ HAD BEEN INDICTED IN FEBRUARY 1978 ON THE CHARGE OF "MEMBERSHIP IN A SUBVERSIVE ORGANIZATION".

2. WE WILL CONTINUE TO INQUIRE ABOUT THIS CASE IN ORDER TO DETERMINE THE REASONS FOR RODRIGUEZ' ARREST, HIS PLACE OF DETENTION AND HIS HEALTH.

3. PLEASE PASS ABOVE MESSAGE TO CONGRESSMAN FOLEY IN REPLY TO REF INQUIRY.

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